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Excavator Training Workshops

ALBANY — The New York State Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold in-person and virtual excavator training workshops on **Thursday, May 25, 2023**, and **Thursday, June 1, 2023**.

On May 1, 2019, the Commission issued an Order Assessing Training Requirements and Convening Workshop (order) in this proceeding, that implemented recent amendments to General Business Law (GBL) Article 36 (Protection of Underground Facilities). The amendments required (1) excavators contracting with local governments for excavation of underground facilities and (2) excavators contracting with operators of underground facilities for the excavation of underground facilities to have completed a training and education program provided by a One-Call notification system established pursuant to GBL Article 36 or by another provider that has been authorized by the Commission in its discretion.

The order instructed Department of Public Service staff to convene a workshop to discuss the GBL Article 36 amendments with stakeholders, affected entities, and interested parties to further educate workshop attendees on the amendments' applicability and the Commission's regulatory oversight and to address any questions or concerns.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the first workshop will be held on **Thursday, May 25, 2023**. Interested stakeholders wishing to participate may attend in person or virtually using the following information:

DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 25, 2023

TIME: 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M

IN PERSON:

UDig NY Facility
6706 Collamer Road
East Syracuse, New York 13057

MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 250 920 870 870

Passcode: TgQF83

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT the second workshop will be held on **Thursday, June 1, 2023**. Interested stakeholders wishing to participate may attend in person or virtually using the following information.

DATE: THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2023

TIME: 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M

IN PERSON:

New York 811, Inc.
60 Knickerbocker Avenue
Bohemia, New York 11716

MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING:

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Meeting ID: 294 270 487 71

Passcode: xTV6Fv

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations should contact the respective One-Call notification system as soon as possible. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Department at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

Questions concerning the workshops may be directed to Michael Pasinella at (518) 474-5453.